

ABSTRACT

A fiber-optic mouse pad for use with an optical mouse. The mouse pad has a substantially opaque top surface and a plurality of optical fibers extending a distance laterally under the top surface, the optical fibers being bundled together on a first end to define a common light inlet exposed to light emitted from the optical mouse during normal use thereof, the optical fibers having second ends extending through the top surface at remote points defining a desired illumination pattern. The construction of the fiber-optic mouse pad enables the desired illumination pattern to be illuminated remotely by moving the optical mouse over the light inlet.